



**CASA of LINN COUNTY, INC.**

**Please send completed letter of reference directly to CASA of Linn County, Inc. in the enclosed envelope. Thank you.**

LETTER OF REFERENCE FOR:

The above named person has applied to become a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) in Linn County and has given your name as a reference. We would appreciate your answers to the following questions regarding the applicant, plus any additional information indicating their ability to serve as an advocate for children and/or families. All information you provide is strictly confidential.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN THE APPLICANT? IN WHAT CAPACITY?


DO YOU BELIEVE THE APPLICANT TO BE IN GOOD PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH?


DO YOU CONSIDER THE APPLICANT TO BE RELIABLE AND RESPONSIBLE?


WOULD YOU WANT THE APPLICANT TO BE AN ADVOCATE FOR YOUR CHILD? WHY OR WHY NOT?


Please rate the applicant on the following by circling the number nearest your assessment. If you have not observed the applicant in relation to that quality, circle N.

		Low				High
1.	Ability to use confidential information appropriately.	1	2	3	4	5 N
2.	Ability to remain objective in crisis or conflict situations.	1	2	3	4	5 N
3.	Ability to reach conclusions independently.	1	2	3	4	5 N
4.	Respect for others with widely differing views/values from own.	1	2	3	4	5 N
5.	Ability to problem solve.	1	2	3	4	5 N
6.	Carries out assignments in a timely manner.	1	2	3	4	5 N
7.	Verbal communication skills.	1	2	3	4	5 N
8.	Written communication skills.	1	2	3	4	5 N
9.	Relational skills and listening ability.	1	2	3	4	5 N
10.	Maturity and stability.	1	2	3	4	5 N
11.	Openness to learning.	1	2	3	4	5 N
12.	Concern for children.	1	2	3	4	5 N
13.	Completes projects and fulfills commitments.	1	2	3	4	5 N

PLEASE COMMENT ABOUT SKILLS/QUALIFICATIONS THE APPLICANT POSSESSES WHICH MAY BE OF SPECIFIC VALUE IN THEIR WORK AS A CASA VOLUNTEER.


DO YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT THE APPLICANT WORKING AS A CASA VOLUNTEER?


<p>WOULD YOU LIKE TO DISCUSS ANY OF THIS INFORMATION PERSONALLY WITH THE CASA STAFF?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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Signature:
Print Name:
Occupation:
Date: